elected ward executive. Mr. Pitcher and his friends are supporting Mr. Herbert V.

A desperate fight for the negro vote is being waged in the seventeenth ward by W. Harry Pairo and Henry G. Loewer, rival candidates for the house of delegates. During the campaign each side has issued circulars severely attacking the character and public record of the other. In closing his campaign Mr. Loewer has sent letters to every voter in the ward denouncing Mr. Paire as a "tool of the bosses."

Both factions in the twenty-third ward have agreed to Edward J. Stiles for ward executive, while there is a bitter fight between G. F. Cooper and Albert E. Wilbur for the house of delegates. Mr. Wilbur is said to have the support of the organization, while Mr. Cooper is being backed by Mr. Wachter's friends.

The organization forces in the twentieth ward have been split asunder over the fight between Pavid W. Dempsey, the present executive, and Joseph A. Kingsley for ward leadership. Both sides have conducted an aggressive campaign. The ward was a Wachter stronghold, and Mr. Kingsley is claiming not only the support of a number of prominent organization workers, but also the solid support of the Wachter people.
In the twenty-first ward Messrs. John A. Keith and William Weisgerber are rival candidates for state central committeeman. In most of the wards the organization delegates to both the city and the legislative district conventions are unopposed.

Estimates on the Vote.

There does not appear to be the same interest attached to these primaries as to those held in the spring, when nearly 25,000 democrats and about 33,000 republicans voted. Then the contests on both sides were spirited. This time it is not believed that the total democratic vote will approximate 15,000, while not more than 10,000 republicans are expected to go to the polls, if that many,

The organization people of the two partles attribute the lukewarmness, first, to lack of opposition, and second, to a lack of funds. Only those who vote regulariy at primaries come out when there is no extra

should not be in by 9 o'clock this evening. The count of the democratic tickets may take a little longer than those cast by the republicans, because they contain more names to be voted for. Two cross marks the republican voter through. need mark only for the name of the candidates at the head of the two delegations,

PREPARING BIG STICK

PLANS OF ORGANIZED LABOR AS TO SECRETARY STRAUS.

Head of Department of Commerce and Labor Says His Position Is Misrepresented.

Organized labor is evidently preparing a big stick for use on Oscar S. Straus, Secretary of the Department of Commerce and Labor, according to advices from New York and other places. He is accused of trying to convert the department under his control into a "clearing house for labor," and other things.

When a special dispatch from New York, bearing on this subject, was shown to Mr. Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, by a Star representative today, he gave utterance to some vigorous language on the subject of the importation of Asiatic labor into the United States. The dispatch from New York says:

eration of Labor, over the proposition to tect the interest of the employers against the labor unions and the reply of the manubrought up by Delegate Coakley of the Lithographic Apprentices' Union.

Alleged Intelligence Office.

"Delegate Coakley said that Oscar S. Straus, Secretary of the Department of Commerce and Labor, was trying to estab-Hish a kind of intelligence office for the better distribution of the immigrants throughout the country.

"'Mr. Straus,' he said, 'represents the Civic Federation of this city. His appointment is due to the influence of the Civic Federation. It was a remarkable thing that he says he wants to make the intelligence office a clearing house for labor, and the National Association of Manufacturers also wants to make a clearing house The whole thing seems to be, as far as Mr. Straus is concerned, the cut-ting down of the barriers against oriental labor. He says that oriental labor can be used to do work that white labor would

"Ephraim Kaufman of the Clothing Cutters' Union said that it was a new phase in the affairs of the country when a cabinet minister took the same views as the manufacturers' association. He said that the matter should be brought to the attention of President Roosevelt."

Mr. Gompers' Position.

President Gompers said the foregoing dispatch gave him the first intimation as to Secretary Straus' alleged intentions in rewas both surprised and pained in learn of Union of New York, will have to stand the full responsibility of his action. The immi-gration plans as given, he further declared.

opened in any degree for the admission of "It is fraught with too much danger to

said Mr. Gompers. "We are not modifying our position in the matter, nor will we lay down upon it. If Mr. Straus has taken the position stated I am sorry, but it is not going to change our

Incorrectly Reported.

Secretary Straus said to a reporter for The Star this afternoon that the repre- Steamer Minnetonka, from London. sentation of his attitude in the New York

"The last Congress," said Mr. Straus, provided for a division of information in the bureau of immigration, and I put at the head of it one of the best-informed and most-enlightened of the labor men of this country, Terence V. Powderly. He has begun his work in a broad way, in accordance with the meaning and the spirit of the law. He is prepared to give the benefit of our investigations to labor in general if they choose to take advantage of it. There is no reason why laborers already in this country as well as recently ready in this country, as well as recently arrived immigrants, should not take advantage of this opportunity as an aid in finding work and being advised where their

es are required.

e division is administered entirely for the benefit of labor in general. I am very sure that neither Mr. Gompers, nor any other enlightened labor leader, can take exception to the method of administering this bureau, which is done in the interests of labor, and I am also glad that Mr. Gompers has not allowed himself to be misled by inaccuracies in the representation of my position."

Wanted in Baltimore.

James Rockwell, sixteen years of age, a resident of Baltimore, was arrested in this city this morning by the police of the sixth precinct because of the receipt of a reques from the Baltimore police department. Detective Lefevre came here from Baltimore

Died at Cape Neddick, Me., To-

LONG AND USEFUL CAREER

day.

Served in the Navy During the War of the Rebelion.

HEAD OF CANAL COMMISSION

During the Preliminary Negotiations for the Purchase and Operation in Panama.

CAPE MEDDICK, Me., September 16.— Rear Admiral John G. Walker, U. S. N. (retired), died here this morning.

Sketch of His Career. Rear Admiral John Grimes Walker was oorn in Hillsborough, N. H., March 20, 1835. He was the son of Alden and Susan Wafker. He was appointed to the navy from Iowa October 5, 1850, and graduated from the United States Naval Academy in 1856; was promoted to master January 22, 1858, and was again promoted to lieutenant

January 23, 1858. He was in the blockading service and ing because there is a dearth of funds to Mississippi Squadron during the civil war, and became lieutenant commander July 16, June 25, 1877, he was appointed captain; commodore February, 1889; rear admiral January, 1894, and was retired upon reaching the age limit in 1879.

During the civil war he participated in the capture of New Orieans, in operation against Vicksburg summer of 1862, including passage of batteries both ways. He panded the tronclad Baron de Kalb in he Mississippi squadron in several engagents, and was commander of the naval battery of the 15th Army Corps in the seige

of Vicksburg. He later commanded a gunboat in the North Atlantic squadron at the capture of Wilmington, N. C. In 1866 he was specially promoted for war service. From 1873 to 1878 he served as secretary to the light-house board, and was later chief of the bureau of navigation, Navy Department, from 1881 to 1889. He was commander of the squadron of evolution from 1889 to 1893, during which time he commanded the European stations

South Atlantic station and the North Atlantic station. In 1894 he was ordered to command the Pacific station, be particularly charged with maintenance of peace and order in the Hawaiian Islands. was later chairman of the lighthouse board from 1895 to 1897, and was chairman of commission for location of deep-water harbor on the coast of southern California. From 1897 to 1899 he was president of the Nicaragua canal commission, and from 1899 to 1901 president of the isthmian canal.

EIGHTY-THIRD ANNUAL

MEETING OF THE I. O. O. F. SOV-EREIGN GRAND LODGE.

ST. PAUL, September 16.-Visiting mem-The controversy between the National bers of the Independent Order of Odd Fel-Association of Manufacturers and Samuel lows who are in St. Paul attending the Gompers, president of the American Fed- eighty-third annual convention of the sovereign grand lodge which opened today attended special services at People's Church yesterday. While only about 1,000 out-offacturers to the attack of Gompers caused town members of the order arrived yesa stir in the meeting of the Central Fed- terday, several thousand are expected today. erated Union yesterday. The matter was The maximum attendance will probably be reached Wednesday, when the annual parade will take place with probably 15,000 men in line.

Formal opening of the sovereign grand lodge occurred this morning at Central Presbyterian Church. Gov. John A. Johnson delivered an address of welcome on behalf of Minnesota, while Mayor Robert A. Smith welcomed the visitors on behalf of the city of St. Paul.

This afternoon the companies that will take part in the competitive drills will be inspected. No officers will be elected this year, but

the Sovereign Grand Lodge will consider the proposed revision of the ritual and the proposal to reduce the age of admission from twenty-one to eighteen years.

Messrs. John I. Brown and James H. Crew of the Grand Lodge and D. W. Keck of the grand encampment are the delegates from the District of Columbia.

GENTRY MURDER TRIAL BEGUN. Constantine, the Alleged Murderer, Arraigned at Chicago Today.

CHICAGO, September 16 .- Frank J. Constanting was arraigned today in the criminal court on the charge of murdering Mrs. Louise Gentry. It is claimed by the state gard to the importation of Asiatic labor. He that Constantine cut the throat of the woman for some reason which has never Mr. Straus' attitude, as reported from New Yet been discovered. He was the subject York, he said. But he continued, so far as of a strenuous chase, which embraced the the intention of the secretary applies to greater part of the civilized globe, and Aslatic labor it does not make a particle of difference to organized labor and will not he was about to take a steamer for disarrange its plans in that particular Mr. Straus or any other official who attempts

The length to which the state has gone in working up the case against Constantine are not going to be carried into effect, no matter what government official may advocate them, Mr. Straus or any one else."

We describe the case against Constantine was shown to day by the presence in court of Dr. David J. Doherty, the only person who saw Mrs. Gentry between the time of receiving her intury and her Mr. Gompers asserted that the business Doherty is now in the government service, and is stationed in the Philippines. He was brought from there to give his testimony in the trial. He occupied the apartment below that in which Mrs. Gentry lived, and it was to his door that she staggered with her throat cut. She died while he was attempting to save her

OCEAN STEAMSHIP MOVEMENTS.

NEW YORK, September 16 .- Arrived: CAPE RACE, N. F., September 16.-The steamer Oceanic, from Southampton for New York, was in communication by wire-less telegraph to Marconi station when 1.147 miles east of Sandy Hook, at 10 p.m., the 15th. Will dock about 10 a.m. Wednes-

BROWHEAD, September 16.—Steamer Patricia, from New York, for Hamburg, reported by wireless telegraph 120 miles outhwest at 11 a.m. today. CHRISTIANSAND, September 15.—Arrived: Steamer C. F. Tietgen, from New York, for Copenhagen.

PLYMOUTH. September 16.-Arrived: Steamer Kronprinz Wilhelm, from New York, for Bremen.

ROTTERDAM. September 16.-Arrived: Steamer Ryndam, from New York. NEW YORK, September 16.-Arrived:

SABLE ISLAND, September 16.-The steamer Kalser Wilhelm der Grosse, from Bremen for New York, was in communication by wireless telegraph with the Marconi station here when seventy miles southeast of this point at 5:30 a.m. Will probably deck about 3:30 p.m. Tuesday. The steamer Pennsylvania, from Hamburg for New York, was reported 160 miles east of Sable Island at 6 a.m. Will proba-

Death of Edward Burgee.

Edward Burgee died yesterday at his home, 1220 6th street. The funeral will take place tist Church for one two-story brick

bly dock about 7 p.m. Wednesday.

THE JAMESTOWN RACES RICH DOCTOR'S DEATH FIGHT ON IN CHURCH

PRESIDENT'S CUP AWARDED YACHT SUE THIS MORNING.

NORFOLK, Va., September 16.-While the yacht Sue, in defeating the Regina twice last week in the class "P" series in the international cup yacht regatta at the Jamestown exposition, was declared the vinner of the Roosevelt cup, the Jamestown regatta commission held that, this cup havng been offered for the most points made in three races, it would be necessary for the Sue to make the start today before she could be officially declared the winner. This she did this morning and thereby took the President's cup. The Sue and the Regina both made the start in the third race in the 'P" class today. If the Regina wins today's race this would give her only four points to the Sue's five, and the race is, therefore, without effect on the result, even though the Sue may not go over the full course.

Favorable Weather. The weather for the races today is clear and in every way favorable. The day dawned with a fog, but this soon cleared, and the water covering the seven and onehalf miles constituting the course, which has to be covered twice, is calm.

The start in the third day's races in the "Q" class for the king's cup followed close-ly after the boats in the "P" class crossed the line, with the following entries: Capsi-cum, Manhassett, Dorothy, Little Rhody, Eleaner and Dorothy Q. The points are one for each start and one

for every boat beaten in the finish. There are possibilities of ties in points today which may make one or more races neces sary this week before the king's cup is won. It was definitely announced today that in the absence of any entries in the H. J and K sloop yacht classes for the Lipton cup this cup will not be raced for in the James town regatta. The cup will be held and offered elsewhere, possibly this year, though more likely next year. It was first thought that a special class of yachts would be made up from those now here, but a cablegram was sent Sir Thomas Lipton on this subject and he answered that his cup was

The Races Tomorrow.

Races open to all, with cup trophies offered by the Jamestown exposition, are scheduled for tomorrow and Wednesday. In class P, for the Roosevelt, the Sue, winner, is owned by E. F. Luckenbach of the Seawanhaka-Corinthian Yacht Club of New York, and the Regina is owned by F G. Stewart of the same club.

In class Q the Capsicum is owned by C. S. Hoyt of the Seawanhaka-Corinthian Yacht Club of New York; Manhassett by Clarence Robbins of the Manhassett Bay Yacht Club, Boston; the Dorothy by a diacte of Baltimore yachtsmen: Little Rhody by C. F. Tillinghast of Providence, R. I.; Dorothy Q. by Gay & Burgess of Boston

TO TEST ARMY BALLOONS

ASCENSIONS WILL BE MADE HERE LATER IN THE MONTH.

Captain Chandler Will Undertake the Direction of the Proposed

Experiments. The people of Washington will have an

sions toward the latter end of September to be undertaken under the direction of Capt. Charles deF. Chandler, who for ring of politicians in Brooklyn. some time has been actively engaged in that branch of the corps work. An aeronautical detachment of nine Signal Corps men who have been on duty at Jamestown in connection with ascensions that have been made by private parties will be ordered to Washington to assist Capt. Chandler in his experiments. Some interesting experiences are expected.

The Army Signal Corps officers who have to do with military ballooning have adopted the plan of experts abroad and established a balloon corps. For the present it is of modest dimensions, so far as the personnel goes. These army balloonists will have the advantage of the experience and serv-ices of the New York aeronaut, Leo Stevens, a member of the Aeronautic Club of America. Most of the ascensions which are planned will be made from Washington with one of the army balloons.

In the course of the next few months there will be extensive and systematic ascensions at Omaha, where the Signal Corps has a depot and where special arrangements are being made for the manufacture of compressed gas to be used in these bal-

There is still a difference of opinion among conservative army officers respect-Some of them think that their advantage will be limited, and that they can be used only under peculiar conditions which give the enemy no opportunity to use the bal-loon of a foe as a target or an indication of the location of the troops against which they may fire. At the same time it is realized that military ballooning has its value, and it is proposed to ascertain in a practical way all that may be learned of the system.

DEDICATED BY GUILD.

Monument at Winchester to Massa chusetts Veterans.

WINCHESTER, Va., September 16,-A handsome granite shaft to the memory of the Massachusetts soldiers who fell in battle around Winchester was dedicated here this afternoon in the presence of Gov. Curtis Guild, jr., and a distinguished company from the Bay state. Gov. Guild and his staff reached Winchester at noon. They were met at the station by Mayor H. H. Baker and a delegation from the city coun-

The party was conveyed to the National cemetery, where the exercises were held. Rev. Dr. J. P. Hyde, chaplain general of the Turner Ashby Camp of Confederate Veterans, delivered an address of welcome. Gov. Guild was the principal orator, and in his address paid a gallant tribute to the fallen heroes both north and south. Following the unveiling ceremonies the entire party proceeded to Stonewall cemetery, where flowers were strewn on the graves of the south's heroes. Gov. Guild and his party leave tonight for Antietam and Get-

BOSTON SCORES ON ERRORS.

Double-Header Being Played at National Park.

With the bleachers filled, the 50-cent seats crowded and with more than a plenty in the grandstand, the Nationals began a double-header with Boston this afternoon. Charley Smith was on the firing line for the Cantillonites, with Block receiving. while Glaze and Creiger were in the points for Boston.

In the first inning both teams went out in one, two, three order. In the second inning two errors by Tony Smith allowed Boston one run. There was nothing doing on either side until the second half of the fourth inning, when it looked as though the Nationals would score on two successive hits by Ganley and Delehanty, but the good fielding of McGuire's men prevented the Nationals from getting a run across the plate. The following is the score by in-

Building Permit Issued.

Inspector Ashford issued a building permit today to the trustees of Bethany Bap-

Brooklyn Physisian Took an Overdose of Opiate.

REPORTED HEART FAILURE

Left an Estate Valued at Over One Million.

STATEMENT OF VICTIM'S WIDOW

Dead Man Had an Envious Practice and Was a Local Politician of Note-Suffered From Neuralgia.

Special Dispatch to The Star. NEW YORK, September 16.-When Dr. A. Warner Shepard, a prominent and rich Brooklyn physician who was married four months ago at the age of sixty-six years. died suddenly Sunday morning, September 8, it was given out by relatives that death was caused by heart failure. Through Coroner Dr. Henry J. Brewer, in Brooklyn, however, it became known today that the veteran physician had died from an overdose of morphine, self administered. He leaves an estate valued at more than \$1,000,000 and a wife, who is considerably

younger than himself. It was only through persistent inquiries at the coroner's office that the details of his death became known. The body has been interred and no post-mortem examination made, as Dr. Emil F. Hartung, coroner's physician, was satisfied from the statements of the widow and two physicians who were at the house on the morning of Dr. Shepard's death that he had succumbed from an overdose of the opiate administered by himself in the hope of al laying a severe attack of neuralgia. He accordingly reported his conclusions to Coroner Brewer and a certificate of death

Informed of Death by Telephone. According to Coroner Brewer, he was called up on the telephone on the Sunday morning of Dr. Shepard's death and was informed by Dr. B. G. Blackman of the circumstances. "I told Dr. Blackman," said Coroner Brewer, "that as he was a reputable practicing physician, it would only be necessary, in my opinion, to report the matter to the board of health and receive a certificate. Dr. Blackman did this, but the board of health refused to consider the matter, deciding that it was a case for the

"Accordingly, on Monday morning I sent Hartung to the house to investigate. He made no autopsy, but secured a state-ment from the widow and from Dr. Black-man and Dr. Louis C. Ager, both of whom were hastly summoned on the morning of Dr. Shepard's death. Mrs. Shepard informed them that early in the morning she was awakened by her husband pacing up and down in his room, and on arising and going to him he told her that he had suffered extremely from neuralgia, and had taken a dose of morphine to relieve him, then another one, and that he feared he had taken too much. "He asked me to get him some hot water," said Mrs. Shepard, "and to summon a doctor as soon as possible. Drs. Blackman and Ager were notified and hurried to the house immediately, but Dr. Shepard soon

expired." Belonged to Old Political Ring. Dr. Shepard had an enormous practice

and was identified with the old democratic It is known that Dr. Shepard expected death at any moment. Wednesday preceding his death he had an attack, and on the it might have contained an acceptance from Friday following summoned a number of his the bureau of finance of New York of Dor-Friday following summoned a number of his the bureau of finance of New Young intimate friends and his attorney, Bernard sey Foultz's bid for the bonds. J. York, to his home. To them Dr. Shepard spoke of the uncertainty of life and expressed a desire to have his attorney draw will providing for his wife. In doing this Shepard said that he wished to any difficulties over his estate after death. Another queer incident came to light also when it became known that Dr. Shepard recently visited an undertaking establish-

ment and selected a coffin.

COURT ACTS UPON PETITION OF THOMAS B. LE CUYER.

Application for Mandamus to Compel the Renewal of Barroom License.

Justice Gould of the District Supreme Court today cited the excise board of the District of Columbia to show cause next shortly. Monday why a writ of mandamus should not issue to compel them to grant a renewal of a barroom license to Thomas B. Le Cuyer, proprietor of the Columbia Hotel. 1413 Pennsylvania avenue northwest. The citation is based on a petition filed by Mr. Le Cuyer against Edwin W. W. Griffin, assessor of the District, and his assistants, Matthew Trimble, Samuel T. Kalb fus and Alexander McKenzie, who constialleged that the board illegally refused last Monday to renew the license. Mr. Lo Cuyer, by Attorney Henry E. Davis, informs the court that the premises No. 1413 Pennsylvania avenue has been a hotel for upward of forty years, and that March 10, 1903, after he had complied with all the requirements of the law and secured the written permission of the neighboring property owners, a license was issued to him, and the same has been regularly renewed for each license year, including the year ending October 31, 1906. He made application, he says, November 1 last for a renewal for the current year, on which application no action was taken until

last Monday, when the board pretended to deny his request for a renewal. Attorney's Contention.

Attorney Davis contends that as the application was duly before the board and no petition of a majority of the real estate owners and resident housekeepers was filed in protest to the renewal the excise board was without authority to pass an order declining to renew the barroom privilege.
In disregard of Mr. Le Cuyer's right, he declares the board ordered the bar of the hotel closed at midnight last Monday, and

directed the chief of police to see to the closing. By reason of this order, he states, the bar is now closed, and the proprietor is denied the right to continue his busi-This action by the board, it is claimed, is without authority, null and void, and it is urged that upon consideration of the application it was and is the mere ministerial duty of the board to grant a renewal for the current year, and that Mr. Le Cuyer is

entitled to have his license renewed

GREAT PIER DEDICATED.

Mammoth Jamestown Work Turned Over to Government. NORFOLK, Va., September 16 .- Twenty thousand spectators witnessed the formal

dedication and first general illumination Saturday night of the great government pier, erected by the United States at a cost of \$400,000. The mammoth structure, extending over 2,000 feet into Hampton roads, shimmering in the rays of thousands of incandescent electric lights, and built of pure white con-

crete, was a picture that called for a monster demonstration from the crowd. The

Mexican National Band, standing beneath the great arch of the pier, and Phinney's Band, at the end of the Raleigh court, ren-

FIRST COLORED BAPTIST CONGRE-GATION GOES TO COURT.

As factional fight has developed in the First Colored Baptist Church, 27th street and Dumbarton avenue, Georgetown, as to the person who shall fill the office of pastor, and the dispute was today called to the attention of the District Supreme Court for

Silas Chapman and the other deacons and trustees of the church, with Rev. Charles N. Pryor, who has been acting as pastor since April last, when the former head of the congregation died, filed suit for an injunction against Rev. Edgar E. Ricks and his adherents, who claim, it is said, to be

Justice Gould Issued a temporary restraining order, returnable next Friday, enjoining the defendants from interfering with the Pryor faction in carrying on the church affairs, and restraining Rev. Mr. Ricks from acting as paster pending the court's determination of the controversy.

The complainants charge that Ricks was

the officers of the church.

selected at a meeting in August, and his selection is alleged to violate the manual of the church, which provides that no preacher shall be elected unless his candidacy has been announced publicly from the pulpit at least two weeks before the meeting at which the election takes place charged that the defendants started a disturbance at the called meeting in August and proceeded in an alleged high-handed manner to select Rev. Mr. Ricks as acting pastor.

Attorneys Thomas L. Jones and James E. Padgett represent the complaining branch of the congregation.

PICKET LINES TIGHTENED. Striking Telegraph Keymen Report No

Desertions From Union. The picket lines of the striking telegraph keymen in this city were drawn tightly this morning at the hour the operators begin their day's work, in order to see if any deserters from the union were in the employ of the company here, according to International Vice President Beattle.

"When the pickets reported to headquarters later," Mr. Beattie sald, "we found there had not been a single desertion from our ranks. It was added that Manager Prosser of the Postal company had sent a message to the receiving clerk of the main office not to receive any specials for the Pacific coast, as they could not be handled. Mr. Beattle reported the local strikers as jubilant and hopeful of success.

DORSEY FOULTZ ONCE MORE. New York "Bureau of Finance" Ad-

dresses Letter to Him. When the letter-carrier arrived at the District building this morning there was among the many letters he had in his bag one addressed to Dorsey Foultz, the muchwritten-about, joked-about and otherwise noted missing murderer. According to articles printed in the newspapers last week, Dorsey was among the New York capitalists who bid for bonds which were being sold by that municipality. When this letter came to him this morning it elicited much to pull up slowly. The high bluff about comment. It was in an envelope of a big which the road winds at that point screened comment. It was in an envelope of a big and important size, and in the left-hand corner of the envelope was printed, "Bureau of Finance, New York City." The address on the envelope was No. 464 Louisiana avenue, which is that of the District building. After talking with some of the officials at the building the letter-carrier took the document to police headquarters, which is two doors below the District building. It is not known what they told the carrier there, but the letter was not left there and was taken doubt find its way to the dead-letter divi-

writer. Those who examined the envelope say that

Playground Projected.

If the plans of Commissioner Macfarland avo'd and Dr. Henry S. Curtis, supervisor of the Washington Playgrounds Association, are realized the triangular space in front of the Center market, at 7th street and Pennsylvania avenue, will be converted into a public playground.

CITES THE EXCISE BOARD Some time ago it was suggested to Commissioner Macfarland that the space could be advantageously used for an additional playground. He investigated the possibilities and ascertained that there were a number of newsboys, bootblacks and employes of markets and market stores who would be expected to embrace the opportunity that uch recreation grounds would afford. Macfarland believes the ground could not be utilized in a better way, because of its convenient location and natural advantages. Dr. Curtis told Mr. Macfarland today that the Playgrounds Association had given the matter consideration and had decided undertake raising the necessary funds provide the equipment for the playground at that point, and would make a formal proposition to that effect to the Commissioners

Says Arrest Was Improper. Alleging that the Southern Railway Company caused his arrest August 20 last at the Pennsylvania station on a charge of larceny, which was later nolle prossed in the Police Court, Milton L. Roberts today filed suit in the District Supreme Court to recover \$25,000 damages from the company. He declares he was imprisoned for two

hours without cause. Attorney G. Langdon Whitford appears for the plaintiff. Funeral of Mrs. Mary W. K. Weaver. Funeral services over the remains of Mrs. Mary W. K. Weaver, wife of Capt. Hanson E. Weaver, who died last Saturday morning, were held at 2 o'clock this afternoon at her late residence, 1614 Q street. The services were conducted by Rev. John Van Schalck, pastor of the Church of Our Father. The interment was in Arlington. In addition to her husband, the deceased leaves three children, Dr. Clarence A. Weaver, surgeon of the 1st Regiment, National Guard of the District of Columbia Mrs. Zell W. Jayne and Miss Alice H.

Funeral of James O. Coffer.

Funeral services over the remains of James Oscar Coffer, who was a member of the dry goods firm of Smoot, Coffer & Mc-Calley, were held yesterday afternoon at of the deceased, 411 G street northwest, at Temple Baptist Church, conducted the ceased was only twenty-one years of age, services. Messrs. George F. Adams. J. D. and only recently, upon attaining his maservices. Messrs. George F. Adams, J. D. Weaver, H. H. Seymour and A. S. Hackett, employes of the firm of which the deceased was a member, and Messrs. Daniel Neal and Robinson acted as pallbearers. The interment was in Rock Creek ceme

Child Drinks Lye.

Raymond Poston, two and one-half years garet and Edith Winship, survive him. old, whose parents live at 148 Morris road, drank a solution of lye while at his home about noon today and greatly alarmed his parents. The ambulance from the Casualty | Fortune Accompanies Couple to Little Hospital was summoned and the sick child was hurried to that institution. Surgeons at the hospital made an examination of the little one and found it was not in a serious condition. He will probably be returned home later in the day.

Lizzle Harris today filed suit in the District Supreme Court to recover \$2,000 from Armstead Taylor for alleged assault. She claims that Taylor last Tuesday knocked telegraph to New York by Miss Rhinock, this afternoon and took charge of the boy. He had with him a warrant alleging that Rockwell had taken \$5 belonging to J. W. Crook. The detective took Rockwell back to Baltimore for a hearing.

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C. Berry Winship Thrown From Horse and Fatally Hurt.

FOUND BESIDE THE ROAD

Was Riding for Pleasure in the Zoological Park.

BECAME RESTIVE ANIMAL

Young Man Had But Recently Attained His Majority-Arrangements for the Funeral.

C. Berry Winship, twenty-one years old, of 1688 31st street northwest, a son of the late Henry C. Winship, and a member of one of the oldest and most prominent Georgetown families, was thrown from his riding horse in Rock Creek Park yesterday morning and almost instantly killed. His skull was fractured, his neck probably broken and he was otherwise cut and bruised, but death, it is conceded, was directly due to the fracture of the skull. Arrangements have been made to hold the funeral from the family home tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock, the services to be conducted, probably, by Rev. W. C. Alexander. Interment will be made in Oak

Mr. Winship, who was a novice at riding, by appointment met Edward H. Droop of 1434 Fairmont street and Joseph I. Wel-1434 Fairmont street and Joseph I. Weller of 2002 R street northwest in Zoological Park shortly before 10 o'clock yesterday morning, and the party traveled at a slow pace over the bridle paths to Pierce Mill. Several times Mr. Weller gave his horse the rein for sharp canters, but Mr. Droop and Mr. Winship remained together, walktheir horses, until the younger man could their horses, until the younger man could become better accustomed to the saddle. All three were together again near the Boulder bridge, but Mr. Weller again went shead at that point, and the three were to meet at the ford, some two hundred yards further along the Beach drive. In crossing the bridge Mr. Droop gave Mr. Winship the inside position on the wide drive, so that if automobiles should be met on the sharp turns in the road the novice would be better protected. Less than a minute afterward the accident happened. No exact account of the cause of the fatality can be given, but the story can probably best be told in Mr. Droop's own words.

Statement by Mr. Droop.

"We were at a walk on the Boulder bridge," said he. "In fact, we had been walking our horses all morning. On the slight down-grade leading from the bridge Mr. Winship's horse became restive and cavorted over the road. I could see the animal lower its head, and it seemed that it wanted a little run, but I called to him horse and rider from my view for the mo-ment, but I continued to let my horse walk, thinking the sound of clattering hoofs might incite Mr. Winship's horse to keep on running. A long stretch of road was visible as I rounded the turn, but was visible, and I had just started on a trot to overtake them when less than thirty feet from the bend in the drive I saw a huddled figure in khaki riding breeches lying on the sod beside the road. In an instant I was off my horse, and, kneeling beside him, I raised his head. Blood was gushing from his ears and nose and mouth. I feared the worst had happened.

Few persons were passing through the park at that early hour, and Mr. Droop was alone with the injured man for several minutes. Mr. Weller had been waiting at the ford for his companions, and he returned at a gallop when he saw Winship's norse dash past without its master. His first thought was to secure ald, and he raced all the way to Pierce Mill to summon an ambulance and a surgeon by telephone. Two young men came to the scene of the accident just after Mr. Weller's departure, and they used their hats to carry water from Rock Creek to be used as a restorative, but all efforts to revive Winship to

consciousness were unavailing.

Dies Before Reaching Hospital. Mr. Winship's heart was still beating when Dr. Arthur H. Glennan of Chevy Chase and Mrs. Glennan passed in their automobile. Mrs. Glennan surrendered her place in the car, and while a muscular sprinkling cart driver lifted Winship and held the unconscious form in his arms Dr. Glennan headed for the Garfield Hospital, and put his auto at top speed. Little hope was entertained of saving the young man's life, and when the hospital was reached the surgeons discovered that life was extinct. It was thought death occurred on the way to the institution.

In the meantime Mr. Weller had notified Mr. Meredith Winship, older brother of Perry Winship, that the latter was en route to the Garfield Hospital, having been seriously injured by a fall from his horse and a similar message was sent to other members of the family at their home, 1688 31st street. Having his worst fears realized by viewing his brother's body upon arrival at the hospital, Mr. Meredith Winship turned the body over to an under-

Many theories were advanced to account for the accident, and it was suggested that Mr. Winship, when he feared his horse was about to bolt, had pulled too sharply on the curb bit, causing the animal to plunge and unseat him. Whether the young man landed on his head on the hard macadam drive, and thence rolled onto the sod, or whether he was struck by one of the horse's hoofs as he fell could not be ascertained from the nature of the injury, but it was assumed one or the other caused the fatal fracture of the skull.

Horse Gallops Away. Frightened by the accident to its rider,

probably, the horse followed the drive at a headlong gallop, and turned up the Military road and into the country place of Mr. Rudolph Kauffmann, where it was captured. One stirrup was missing from the saddle when the horse was caught, and it was subsequently found on the roadway near the scene of the accident. Mr. Winship might have been dragged a short distance after falling, it is conceded, but not suffi-ciently to have aggravated his injuries, because the stirrups were of a patent, self-releasing variety, intended especially to minimize danger in such accidents. Mrs. Winship, the young man's mother, who has been ill for several days, and her the residence of Mrs. E. C. Grayson, sister two daughters were prostrated by the shock. of the deceased, 411 G street northwest, at C. Berry Winship was the youngest son 2 o'clock, Rev. J. J. Muir, paster of the of the late Henry C. Winship. The dejority, he received his portion of his father's estate. He was employed in the offices of the Washington Gas Light Company. Mr. Winship was well over six feet in height, and of an exceptionally open and pleasing disposition. He had scores of friends among the younger set in Washington and Georgetown.

Besides his mother, one brother, G. Mere-

MARRIED IN NEW YORK.

dith Winship, and two sisters, Misses Mar-

Church Around the Corner. Mutual friends returning to Washington

today from New York brought news of the romantic marriage in that city Saturday last of Miss Rhinock, daughter of Representative Joseph L. Rhinock of Kentucky, Claims Damages for Alleged Assault. and Mr. H. S. Needham, also of Kentucky, and a graduate with the class of 1907 from the law school of George Washington University. Mr. Needham was summoned by

the Corner," and the news was soon aftthe Corner," and the news was soon afterward communicated to several friends, but the more serious problem of seeking parental forgiveness was reserved until Sunday. The itinerary of the hastily pianned wedding journey will probably include a brief visit to Washington.

Mr. Needham was formerly secretary to Representative Rhinock, and it was while acting in that capacity that he met his future wife. Part of his college training was received at Harvard, though he did was received at Harvard, though he did not received at Harvard, though not receive his degree until after he had completed the course at the local university. During part of the time of her father's residence in Washington Miss Rhinock was a pupil at the Forest Glen School.

IN ALEXANDRIA AFFAIRS

LARGE QUANTITY OF COAL IN RAILROAD YARD ON FIRE.

Field Day Exercises of Anti-Saloon League-Schools Open for Fall Term.

Special Correspondence of The Star.

ALEXANDRIA, Va., September 16, 1907. Soft coal, estimated in tons at 54.150, from the mines of West Virginia, belonging to the Southern Railway Company, in the company's yards about one-half a mile south of this city is on fire. A large force of men is working to extinguish the fire, and Mr. Martin Murphy, yard foreman of the railway company, says he expects to accomplish the desired result some time tomorrow. The fire started, it is thought, yesterday morning, but was not discovered

until about 4 o'clock in the afternoon. The pile which is afire is about 500 feet long and forty-five high. It contains about 20,000 tons, and is separated from the remainder of the coal, which is piled in two separate ridges, by a distance of fifteen feet. Employes say that the fire was undoubtedly due to spontaneous combustion.

Most of the coal which has been removed by the workers. by the workmen has been converted into

coke, and the company's loss already amounts to a large sum. Anti-Saloon League Exercises.

Fleld day exercises were held yesterday at the churches throughout the city under the auspices of the Virginia Anti-Saloon At the First Baptist Church Rev. H. H.

Barstow of Rochester, N. Y., was the speaker at the morning service. Prior to taking up league work he was a Presbyterian clergyman in central New York. "Binding and Loosing" was his subject. Among other things he said that "there are the charge he are the charge here. are two duties upon the church in reference to the drink traffic, to 'loose' the drinker from his sin by the gospel and to bind the evil that bound him.
"The Anti-Saloon League is best defined by its name," he added. "It is anti-saloon, not anti-saloonkeeper, anti-drink-

that as the vulnerable point in the liquor traffic. It is a league not of a few agita-tors, but of the churches. Collision in Railroad Yards. A southbound locomotive yesterday morn-

ing about 5:30 o'clock was in collision with

ing primarily anti-drink, and not anti anything else but the saloon. It deals with

a Southern railway cattle train at the Potomac railroad yards, north of this city, and as a result thirty-one sheep and three steers were slaughtered .. The police say they are determined to break up the habit of allowing boys to dis-charge cat rifles and other weapons within the city limits. Policeman Beach yesterday took into custody Kindith Richards, col-

ored, who had a rifle in his possessithe police court today he was fined \$5 and the rifle was confiscated The public schools of the city were opened The public schools of the city were opened this morning after the summer holiday. The attendance is reported to be somewhat larger than that of last year. A large number of teachers, appointed since those of the last scholastic year, were at their places. The clerk of the city school board issued a number of parallel this morning.

issued a number of permits this morning which will increase the attendance. Brief Mention. Funeral services over the remains of Thomas D. Dix, who died from injuries

received by falling beneath a train, were held at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon at his late residence, 321 North Pitt street. Rev. W. W. Van Arsdale, pastor of the Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church, conducted the services, and the burial was in the Methodist Protestant cemetery. Members of James W. Jackson Council, Junior Order of United Americans, attended in a body. The funeral of Mrs. Louise Robinson, who died Friday last, took place at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon from her home, 338 South Patrick street. Rev. Edgar Carpenter, rector of Grace Protestant Episcopal

Church, officiated. The interment was the Methodist Protestant cemetery.
Mr. J. Harry Catts, who resides at 3001
Duke street extended, was stricken with
paralysis of the brain while at home about 11 o'clock last night. This morning his condition is reported to be critical. At St. Paul's Protestant Episcopal Church last night a solo was rendered by Miss Kate Smoot, who has just returned from

Miss Florence Wade is seriously ill at the home of her father, Mr. S. R. Wade, 310 Commerce street.

RETURN FROM INSPECTING TOUR.

School Commission Back From Cities The school commission, composed of Capt. Jay J. Morrow, engineer commissioner of the .District; James Knox Taylor, supervising architect of the treasury, and Dr. William E. Chandler, superintendent of public schools, accompanied by Snowden Ashford, inspector of buildings of the District, returned to the city this morning after a visit of inspection of school buildings in hve western cities. This commission was created by Congress and will report to that body at the next session upon a number of investigations made, and recommend a num-

ing school buildings here. Monday and Tuesday of last week were spent by the commission in St. Louis. About a dozen buildings in that city were inspected, including two fine modern high schools, several eighteen and twenty-four room grammar schools and a normal school. Wednesday was devoted to Chicago, where the commission inspected several buildings. Two high schools and two gram-

ber of changes in the method of construct-

mar schools were inspected and all found to be modern, up-to-date, handsome and useful buildings. Thursday the little town of Muskeegum was visited and the high school and the Hackley Manual Training School were in-

spected. Detroit was visited Friday and several buildings inspected, among them two schools, one of which is comparatively new and one grammar school. Saturday morning four new buildings were examined in Cleveland, one being a high school, and these buildings were found

made to Congress by the commission

Midsummer Temperature Recorded

MERCURY CLIMBS HIGH.

Here This Afternoon. The mercury in the downtown ther-

to be up to date and complying with all modern requirements for well-lighted and sanitary school buildings. Many photographs were secured, which will be incorporated in the report to be

mometers recorded midsummer temperature this afternoon. The giant instrument at Affleck's gave a reading of ninety-two degrees shortly before 2 o'clock this afternoon and the clerk in charge said "it is still climbing." The official thermometers at the weather

bureau at the same hour gave a temperature of eighty-five in the shade. Prof. Edward B. Garriott, the official forecaster, who recently returned from temporary duty